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RE: Richard Hickock and Perry Smith Exhumation Search Warrant

Kansas Bureau of Investigation Agents obtained and are executing a search warrant today to exhume the bodies of Perry Smith and Richard Hickock and collect samples for DNA testing. The exhumation was conducted by members of the KBI's Crime Scene Response Team.

Smith and Hickock were convicted and executed by Kansas for the 1959 murder of Herb, Bonnie, Nancy and Kenyon Clutter in Finney County, Kansas. Smith's and Hickock's remains are buried in a private cemetery in Leavenworth County, Kansas.

A representative of the Sarasota County, Florida, Sheriff's Office was present to assist in obtaining the warrant and to observe the exhumation, as the warrant was obtained to assist Sarasota County's investigation of a similar 1959 quadruple homicide.

A representative of the KBI will be available to the media at 1:00 p.m. at the Lansing Community Building, 800 First Terrace, Lansing, Kansas to answer questions.

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